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Display §

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Preliminarily, please amend the application as set forth below.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 8-25, without prejudice.

Add the following claims:

1 26. (New) A method comprising:
2 providing a computer having a first display, a second display, and
3 a unit containing a keyboard, the unit separate from the first and second displays;
4 providing the first display to face in a first direction;
5 providing the second display to face in substantially the first direction;
6 receiving a pen-based input at the first display; and
7 receiving an input at the keyboard.

1 27. (New) The method of claim 26, wherein providing the unit comprises
2 providing a base unit of a laptop computer.

1 28. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising:
2 hingedly connecting one of the first display and the second display to the
3 base unit

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